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Our Case No. 9683/260

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Satoru ADACHI et al.

Serial No. 10/671,527

Filing Date: September 29, 2003

For: VIDEO ENCODING METHOD,
VIDEO DECODING METHOD,
VIDEO ENCODING APPARATUS,
VIDEO DECODING APPARATUS,
VIDEO ENCODING PROGRAM,
AND VIDEO DECODING
PROGRAM

Examiner: An, Shawn S.

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this communication.